

REMARKS

Pursuant to a discussion with Examiner Kuo, applicant submits this Preliminary Amendment.

The Preliminary Amendment amends the previously elected claims 109-113 of Group O. The amended claims are reflected in claims 173-195. Claims 173-195 are also directed towards "an integrated circuit", as the elected claims of Group O. In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge underpayment in fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2207, under Order No. 66518-8002.US02 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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Respectfully submitted,

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